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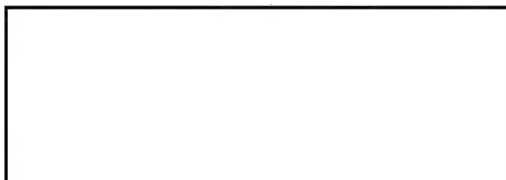
Mr. Larry Richardson  
International Cooperation Administration  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Richardson:

In Mr. Bullen's absence from  
the country I am writing to acknowledge  
and thank you for your letter of 23  
August enclosing the clipping concerning  
Polish wheat crops.

I will bring your letter to Mr.  
Bullen's attention as soon as he returns  
in September.

Sincerely,

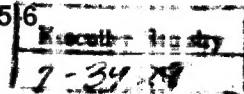


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INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ADMINISTRATION

Washington 25, D. C.

August 25, 1955

Mr. Allen W. Dulles,  
Director, C. I. A.  
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Allen:

Our recent talk finds further confirmation in the attached. But we must not overlook the record that dry years do not occur singly but as part of a larger cyclical pattern.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Attachment  
Clipping

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Drs. 0-1-1  
Wash  
Jul 4 '55  
10:15  
Poland has signed up for 50,000 tons of Canadian wheat (gr. las. 1000) and paid cash for it, something over \$3-million.

Now the Poles are dickering for another 200,000 tons, to complete the deal they have been shooting for (BW—Jul. 9 '55, p30). They are getting this wheat on a deferred payment basis. Several Canadian banks are financing this part of the purchase, with a guarantee from Canada's Export Credit Insurance Corp.

Just the other day the Polish vice minister of foreign commerce told a Manchester Guardian correspondent why Poland was buying Canadian wheat. Bad weather has delayed the harvest, he said. Several crops are three or four weeks behind.

This could indicate something about the current harvest in the Ukraine, Russia's biggest grain area. Poland and the Ukraine are adjacent areas.